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A Grand Affair: The 25th Anniversary Parade

Seventy-six trombones led the Big Parade! Well, maybe not quite 76, but it was a grand affair from beginning to end!

Preparations began weeks before the event with tenants and all departments of New Community planning the many details involved. Of course, we had to have floats in the parade. The theme for each float was decided, decorations gathered, and all vehicles were in readiness Saturday morning, September 19th. Tenants from the buildings offered their assistance in so many ways, particularly in organizing the tables for the street fair after the parade.

Enthusiasm and excitement were in the air that day, and so were drops of rain coming down on our decorations as the floats were prepared that Saturday morning. Undaunted, the group continued putting on flowers, streamers, green grass, etc. We were trusting the weather report, "The sun will come out about noon," as we looked up at the sky and said, "Please don't rain on our parade."

Meanwhile, in other parts of New Community that morning so many people were busy doing many things.



Our King (a.k.a. Robert Sinclair) and his Queens added a regal presence to the New Community and Babyland Nursery 25th Anniversary Parade.

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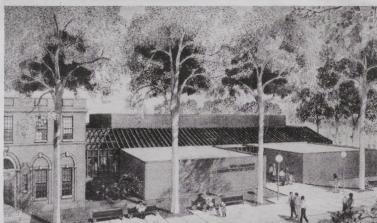
New Recreation Center Is Finally A Go!!!

The New Community Recreation Center has been cleared for take off! Long envisioned by New Community, the path to reality seemed cluttered with obstacles for the last seven years, but the vitally needed center was given approval for funding with the dedication of the proceeds of a Capital Bond Ordinance previously adopted regarding the "Old Morris Avenue Pool" to this project.

Located adjacent to the recently renovated Springfield Avenue Branch of the Newark Public Library on Hayes Street, the one-story multipurpose recreation center would be a public/private partnership between the City of Newark and New Community. Using the \$1,150,000 Capital Bond Ordinance for part of the construction cost, New Community Corporation will provide the land and approximately \$600,000 towards the remainder of the construction.

The Center will be operated by New Community at no expense to the City.

Included in the 16,750 square foot facility will be a regulation size basketball court (which can also serve



NEW COMMUNITY NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

as a volleyball court), gymnastic and weight lifting areas. The structure will also provide a stage for drama/theatre performances.

Locker facilities and showers, a hobby room, meeting areas and community space are built into the design. A manager's office and on-site security

office complete the plan.

The new recreation center will be able to accommodate 500 people.

Home economics, sewing and photography and a proposed READY Program are among the classes to be offered by the Center.

We're Ready.

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Many thanks to all our faithful readers throughout the USA!!!

Teenage Mother Program Draws Hillary Clinton To Babyland

On Monday, September 15th, 1992, Babyland Nursery, Inc. welcomed Mrs. Hillary Clinton, wife of Democratic candidate Bill Clinton, and long time advocate of children's rights, to spend some time with children and families at Babyland III.

Mrs. Clinton chose to visit Babyland Nursery, Inc. on the inauguration of one of its new programs - "The Family Child Parent Program."

This innovative program is being conducted by Babyland, teamed with Catholic Charities over a 3 year period

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Mrs. Clinton observes the creative process at Babyland III.

cakes and sweet potato pies, yummy!

The Hispanic community had a real early start with all of the assorted dishes they presented for our feasting. Looking for a new pair of earrings? Or how about that watch for \$10? Just step this way. To satisfy the "sweet tooth" of the children (under 90 years!) a candy stand was set up. The day would not be complete without face painting by one of our clowns!

The sun burst forth through the clouds and twelve noon arrived. Time to "get this show on the road." The police escort began, the drums rolled

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Two Vacant Jersey City Lots Come To Life

A few months ago, there was a groundbreaking ceremony for Phase II of New Community Corporation's Bayview Courts Affordable Housing project in Jersey City. Today, there's evidence that perseverance and co-operation can help produce the requisite outcome.

Construction on Bayview Courts, Phase II, was commenced on September 14, 1992. Bayview Courts is the second phase of a 33 unit townhouse rental project; Phase I of this project created 15 three (3) bedroom rental units. This second phase will contain eighteen (18) units — nine (9) two-story structures — which will be constructed on two ad-

acent sites. Four of the 18 units will accommodate handicapped individuals. These units will have two bedrooms. The other 14 units will have three bedrooms. Included in all of the units are spacious kitchen, living room, a room to accommodate a washer and dryer, linen closet, etc.



Construction is underway on Bayview Courts Phase II, in Jersey City.

The metamorphosis of these two vacant adjacent lots is due to the continuous efforts of the City of Jersey City, Jersey City Redevelopment Agen-

cy, State Department of Community Affairs, Colgate-Palmolive, Midlantic National Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and New Community Corporation (NCC). The goal of this project is to restore hope and pride in a blighted neighborhood with affordable rental housing for low income families.

This project will offer an alternative to the traditional high-rise housing projects, which are isolated from the rest of the community. NCC feels that if homes are to be affordable, they do not necessarily have to be ugly. Subsequently, NCC hopes that Bayview Courts will have a positive impact on the surrounding area. It feels that the

metamorphosis of two vacant lots into 18 new affordable rental homes will without a doubt enhance this community. New Community views Bayview Courts as a journey of a thousand miles, which begins with the first step; this is the second step for New Community into Jersey City and soon our accomplishments in this city will mirror that of our accomplishments in Newark.

Prospective tenants are selected from the state's referral list once they have mailed the preliminary application back to the Department of Community Affairs. Interested residents of Jersey City who would like an application should do either the following: (1) go to Sacred Heart Parish located a block away from the construction site, or (2) call (609) 292-9795 or (609) 984-3380. Because of the subsidies involved in this project, Jersey City residents have first preference, then Hudson County residents, etc.

Quality Food For Inner Cities Is Topic Of Task Force

As a result of the Los Angeles riots, the Food Marketing Institute in Washington, D.C., has formed an Urban Initiatives Task Force to look into bringing better quality low cost food into the inner cities.

The next meeting of the task force will be held October 29-30 here in Newark and will be hosted by Jack Futterman of Supermarkets General Corporation. The group will visit Supermarket General's Pathmark store on Bergen Street (in the Central Ward) which is a joint venture with New Community.

Representatives of New Community will be available for questions. Members of the task force include senior executives (chairmen, CEOs, presidents) of stores such as The Vons Companies, Inc., D'Agostino Supermarkets, Safeway, Inc., Jons Sons Markets, Inc., and others.

(See related story this page.)

What Is Mailboxes Etc.?

Mail Boxes Etc. is an alternative to the Post Office that also offers much more. If you rent a low cost post office box from Mail Boxes Etc. you get 24-hour access plus mail receiving, mail forwarding, phone-in mail-check, all in the safe secure New Community Pathmark Shopping Center.

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The store will be operated by D'Andre Dickens and Frances LaValle who were recruited from within the New Community Network. D'Andre comes to Mail Boxes Etc. with experience gained while working in the New Community Print & Copy Center. Frances has worked in Security, but is best known for her friendly voice on the switchboard at St. Joseph Plaza.



A workman secures just a few of the 1,500 mailboxes.

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New Community Asked To Address House Select Committee On Hunger

Eight of the nation's most innovative grass-roots programs in the battle against domestic hunger and poverty were showcased in a hearing before the House Select Committee on Hunger, Thursday, September 24th.

New Community was one of them. Ms. Williams, Director of Human Services, described the effective initiatives with which New Community has rebuilt a swath of the Central Ward of Newark in sound, well-kept, low-cost housing served by an array of social services, and returned a supermarket to the community to provide the most easy access to affordable, quality food.

Msgr. Linder addressed the group on September 30th regarding the housing and economic development efforts of New Community.

The presentations were made on behalf of World Hunger Year's Reinvesting in America Program whose staff selected the eight organizations to be presented from more than 200 in its database on the basis of the creativity of their efforts to help poor Americans escape poverty through their own efforts, along with the program and high potential for being replicated as a matter of national policy.

Ms. Williams offered four recommendations on behalf of New Community for demonstration programs which would support the creation or expansion of programs which lead to self-sufficiency through economic and social development.

First, funding should be set aside for community development corporation (CDC's) to creatively blend funding and eliminate administrative road blocks that prevent them from providing cost efficient services that meet real needs. "We want to treat individuals and families holistically, through seamless services instead of piece meal, through categorical fundings," she stated.

(See related story this page.)

Second, the review of funding streams with flat funding, such as the Older Americans Act which supports case services programs for Medicare recipients. A mechanism to increase grant levels, at appropriate intervals, must be instituted to prevent the decrease in funding levels and service as a result of flat funding due to the continued rise of operational costs.

Third, Ms. Williams proposed a demonstration project for CDC's which blends funding for welfare reform, the homeless in transitional housing, and employment/training funding.

Fourth was the proposal for a CDC Venture Capital Demonstration. This would be in the form of a flexible source of government or mixed government/private funding for CDC business ventures, not restricted to lienable assets, since better opportunities in today's economy lie in the service field, where fewer fixed assets are required for start-up.

The funding source should be able to combine loans, grants, and on-going technical assistance. This source should have trained experts available to help the CDC develop a tenable business plan prior to the funding stage, and then help tailor a financial package specific to the proposed venture. It would then stay involved in the operation of the venture, as to help foster its success (and thus protect the government's investment).

This type program it was suggested, must replace the current conventional approach based on typical commercial banker's underwriting standards which require credit protection from the borrower prior to the loan, then leave the borrower to its own devices to repay the loan.

The NCC Human Services Director then offered the cooperation of New Community in any way possible with the Congress, other CDC's and the departments of government to develop these and other new approaches.

(See related story this page.)

Contributions To

New Community Corporation

If you would like to make a memorial gift or donation to New Community it would be most welcome.

People who would like to give to New Community but don't wish to give up the earning power at the present time can assign a contribution now, but defer payment until sometime in the future.

If you would like more information, please contact Lynn Mertz at Fund Development, (201) 482-0682.

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The Spirit Lives

"Lord, you don't have to move the mountain. Just give me the strength to climb it."

New Community Corporation had its origins in the basement of a church in the Central Ward, so it only seems proper that we also begin our twenty-fifth anniversary celebrations in a church in the Central Ward.

It was a beautiful, sunny Sunday when folks from the community gathered outside St. Joseph Plaza to process over to Bethany Baptist church led by the chants of St. Rose of Lima's Elementary School choir.

Reverend Scott spoke inspirational words about the charm of the old ghettos, in contrast to the horrors of slums in other parts of the world. He encouraged the congregation to look out for one another; to care for the elderly; to continue the fight for dignity in our neighborhoods.

Complementing Reverend Scott's words were singing from Bethany Baptist's choir, the New Community Senior Choir, St. Rose Elementary School Choir, and a melodious solo by Alma Majors. A beautiful 3-part litany highlighting the present, past, and future was read by Alma Hanks, Oscar Duran, and Heath Perry.

"We've come this far by faith..." reminded Msgr. Linder, "and we must keep this faith alive as we continue into the future."

Lynn Mertz



Rev. James Scott



Alma Hanks, Oscar Duran and Heath Perry highlight the past, present and future of New Community.



Sr. Helene Truitt and students from St. Rose of Lima lead the procession.



Soloist Alma Majors

Hillary Clinton Visit...

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(see September, 1992, Clarion) and will provide opportunities for teenagers — ranging in age from 12 to 16 — in daycare, job training, education, etc.

From the moment Rita Lewis and

need for people of different colors and backgrounds to come together, and offer help, guidance and support to these young, single mothers in an effort to help make a better tomorrow for them and their children.

After the discussion, Mrs. Clinton



Senator Frank Lautenberg poses a question to Hillary Clinton as Congressman Donald Payne and Babyland Executive Director Mary Smith look on during her visit to Babyland.

Ron Koehane, members of the advance team from Little Rock arrived on Friday. Babyland was buzzing with excitement at the chance to bring national focus on Babyland's continuing efforts to strengthen family values.

Mrs. Clinton was very concerned with being able to have an honest and candid dialogue with young mothers. Misty Williams and Maxine Young, along with Babyland's Executive Director Mary P. Smith, Fr. Tom Harvey, President of Catholic Charities and the program's coordinator, Mrs. Benita Ogburn McLean. During the conversation she asked for suggestions from the young women that she could relate to her husband, and shared some parenting tips as a child becomes mobile and life becomes more hectic.

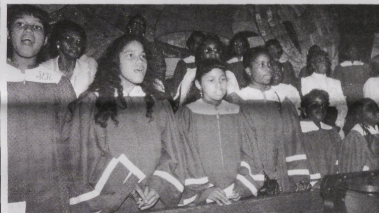
Mrs. Clinton expressed her continued concern for all children and the

continued on a tour of Babyland Nursery to see and play with the children in the classes. She was joined by Msgr. William Linder, founder of New Community Corporation, Mrs. Smith, Fr. Harvey, Senator Frank Lautenberg and Congressman Donald Payne. Mrs. Clinton graciously agreed to take a group class picture with the children of Big Bird's room.

In Big Bird's room, Mrs. Clinton talked with staff members and told Rodney Reese (the only male caregiver at Babyland III) it was encouraging to see a male teacher working with young children. She said she was hopeful other young males would pursue this worthwhile profession.

The tour concluded in the breakfast area at which time Mrs. Clinton answered questions from the press who were in attendance.

Many of the staff of Babyland III commented on how friendly and warm



The heavenly voices of the St. Rose of Lima Choir added to the festivities.



Harmony House residents Marcie Johnson and Samuel Emmanuel chat with Msgr. Linder.



Sr. Consuela captures the video highlights.

Mrs. Clinton was and were very impressed with her extensive knowledge and concern for childcare issues that are shared by working mothers all around the world today. Staff member, Joann Nassiruddin, said, "She reminded me of myself and the other working mothers who drop off their children at Babyland. She came because she cares." If her husband is elected President she would like to be a voice for children in the White House.

Mrs. Clinton has worked with Catholic Charities before, and was

drawn to this program because of the comprehensive approach it offers the young teenage mothers and the early start it takes on facing the problem. No matter what one's political affiliation, all of us ought to work together to help our children and families — and family values start with valuing families, said the candidate's wife.

For the families at risk in Newark, that's good to hear.

The day was a five-star challenge for the New Community Security Department, who came through admirably.

Harmony House Babylanders Off To Kindergarten

The last Friday of August was graduation day for the students of Babyland V who would soon be attending Kindergarten for the first time.

The ceremony took place in the multi-purpose room of Harmony House and was attended by many family members and friends of the graduates.

Attired in academic caps and gowns the class processed in to the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance." Each of the graduates took a part in announcements made during the ceremony, introducing the various songs and performers.

Shakira Eason welcomed the guests and Dwayne Love led the Pledge of Allegiance. Gabriel Davis invited all to joinher class in singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." A trio of graduates was introduced by Dayashawn Brown, while Lateesha Latham announced a song by all the boys. Eric Barnett named the special song which was followed by a surprise presentation to the mothers of the graduates. Finally Timothy Terry led the class in a vocal and kazoo rendition of the ABCs.

The proud moment finally arrived and each student came forward to accept their diploma to enthusiastic applause. Not present but also receiving diplomas were Christopher Benton,



Shakira and Dwayne talk about the future with Sr. Regina and Miss Felicia.

Rene Green and Zyaiah Goosby.

The closing song conveyed the graduates', and Babyland's, belief very clearly: they sang "Oh What A Miracle" with the lyrics "I'm something special, so very special, there's nobody quite like me!" We hope that belief stays with them throughout their lives.

Sr. Regina Holtz

A Grand Affair...

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from the East Orange High School Band, and we were on our way. Close behind the band was our Grand Marshall, Joe Chaneyfield, of NCC's Board of Directors, travelling in a jazzy red convertible, chauffeured by Lynn Tertz from the Development Office. Not far behind was the Newark Boys and Girls Drum and Bugle Corps. As we marched down St. Orange Ave., you could feel the enthusiasm of the group.

The estimated number of marchers was 500 employees, seniors, parents, and children. As NCC celebrates 25 years of accomplishments, the children walked with a banner stating, "The next 25 years." They were such a delight, loving every minute of the parade. Children can speak a profound truth for all of us in such simple statements. I overheard several such statements throughout the parade — "I hope we go by my house," "Look it, there's where I live" — and it went. A sense of pride and a feeling of rootedness in being able to call someplace home seemed evident. This is part of what NCC celebrates this year.

All of the on-lookers on the sidewalks, the people hanging out their apartment windows, and the cars stuck in traffic were exposed to feel-

ings of pride just flowing from the group. Each section of marchers was proud about something they have accomplished as part of NCC. The Management department's float was a monumental testimony to the housing accommodations provided. Home Health Care depicted their invaluable contribution to the health of our community. Harmony House reinforced what is still needed today, more affordable housing. Babyland — a word that says it all — a place where children are cared for and safe. The King and Queen of NCC, our senior tenants, Robert Sinclair and Phyllis Burton, stood for the wisdom, patience, and perseverance of the people. What about those two clowns who were running the streets? If things get tough, keep a sense of humor!

The banners and floats of the various programs and departments of NCC were visual reminders of the strength that comes in networking. That strength comes from the many people of New Community, who are its success story. As we wound our way through the City's streets and returned an hour later, we remarked what a great parade! We will continue to celebrate our 25th anniversary and look to the future with hope.

Sr. Yvette Arnold

Harmony House Fall Program

It's back-to-school time for the children of Harmony House. Beaches, amusement parks, and picnics have been replaced by reading, writing and arithmetic.

The Fall Afterschool Program will once again dedicate itself to providing help to youngsters through homework assistance. Our volunteer component

day through Thursday. As in the past, a great emphasis on the educational development of the youth at Harmony House is our primary objective during the winter months.

The Youth Department will continue to offer arts/crafts and table games. Fridays are designated for videos and trips. As we go back to our

Sedgwick James Fundraising For Homeless Families

On August 20, 1992, Sedgwick James of New Jersey Inc., an insurance brokerage house, held a benefit dinner for Harmony House at Cryan's Restaurant in South Orange, New Jersey.

The employees of Sedgwick James have held a series of events since June 1992 to raise funds for New Community Harmony House — Transitional Homeless Facility for Families. The "Jail-A-Thon" fundraiser was very successful and fun for employees as they were "jailed" until they raised

"bail" (pledges for Harmony House).

Sedgwick James' employees report a feeling of involvement and satisfaction through having an opportunity to do something for the less fortunate.

Funds raised will be utilized for new playground equipment for the homeless children to enjoy. Sedgwick James has raised a total of \$2,000 and they are "still counting."

New Community Harmony House extends a heartfelt thank you to the Community Action Committee and employees of Sedgwick James.



Joan Lazar answers questions from participants in the "I Can Do That" reading program at Harmony House.

will again provide tutoring during our homework hours which are from 3-5 p.m. Monday through Thursday for all ages. This year we will include a science and geography period in the program.

The "I Can Do That" Reading Program sponsored by the Newark Literacy Campaign, will be in its second year here. It will start on September 14th from 6-7 p.m. on Mon-

Saturday schedule, the children will have more time and exposure to weekend field trips and activities.

The Youth Program Staff looks forward to providing the cultural, educational and historical development needed to help build healthy minds for our future generation.

Albert Workfield
Youth Program Co-ordinator

Anti-Drug Picnic

Wednesday, August 12, 1992, was a day of fun, family and drug awareness as New Community Harmony House's VISTA Volunteers organized an Anti-Drug Picnic for the homeless children and their families.

It was a bright, sunny day which was great for outdoor activities. The children played volleyball, kickball, jump rope and had sack races.

Donations from various organizations such as Pathmark, Charles Chips, and Councilman George Branch helped to make the picnic possible.

The theme for the day was "Choose Not To Lose, Say No To Drugs." The children expressed their Anti-Drug messages through their art work done on a banner during the picnic.

Alma Sasser VISTA Volunteer

Teen Health Fair

On September 2, 1992, the Teenagers of Harmony House were given some very important information by professionals in the field of health and nutrition from United Hospitals.

Approximately twenty-four teens gathered in the waiting area of Harmony House, where they were divided into five groups. They attended classes which consisted of: 1) Nutrition Education; 2) Health Careers; 3) Breast Screening (for the female teens); 4) H.I.V. (Human Immune Deficiency Virus) and 5) Family Planning.

After the sessions, which offered a lot of important information to the young adults, the teens were treated to a nutritious lunch, which consisted of green salad and pizza. During lunch, the teens were buzzing with talk about all the valuable information they received. The teens appeared to realize that what they don't know can hurt



Dr. Dickson talks to Harmony House teens about AIDS.

them.

Albert Workfield
Youth Program Co-ordinator

District Local 6 Shop Stewards Sponsor Family Day For Homeless

The families of New Community Harmony House had a day of fun on Sunday, September 6, 1992. District Local 6 Union, representing Newark City employees, Water & Sewer Sanitation, Demolition and Traffic & Signal Departments, sponsored a Family Day Event for the 102 homeless families of Harmony House.

The day was excellent for cooking out, children playing and families

socializing. The food and entertainment provided by Al-Dhu Production was enjoyed by all.

The families received a day of activities as well as a food voucher valued at \$35.00 each.

A hearty thank-you was expressed by the Families of Harmony House when the day ended.

Jeannette Page-Hawkins
Administrator

★ ★ ★ 25th Anniversary Parade ★ ★ ★



The crew from St. Joseph Plaza leads the parade.



Grand Marshall Joe Chaneyfield cruises down So. Orange Avenue in a snazzy red convertible.



Georgia Willis leads the ladies from the Family Advisory Board.



Monsignor Linder captures the day on film.



Handcrafted items were among the items being sold by the Senior Advisory Board member Georgianna Brown.



Harmony House residents proudly display their banner as they march.



Visual presentation was "A+" for the management float.



Spanish delicacies kept the folks happy at the post parade celebration.



He is the future; He is the world.

Teen Learn And Earn Awards

Over 100 Teen Learn and Earn participants and their friends, parents, and other relatives joined with New Community staff to celebrate the end of their summer employment program. The Teen Learn and Earn Program employed 100 youth in over 40 job categories at New Community over the summer. Mrs. Florence Williams,

Achievement to two participants: Luis Carrera and Shakira Curtis. Mr. Carrera, age 18, was employed at Pathmark and did so well that he was hired for permanent employment by Mr. Bill Simmons, Pathmark manager. Ms. Curtis performed at such a high level, that she too, was hired for permanent employment at



NCC Director of Human Services, Florence Williams, poses with high achievers Shakira Curtis (with her mom) and Luis Carrera (with his grandmother) following the Teen Learn & Earn awards ceremony.

NCC Director of Human Services, noted in her remarks that the Teen Learn and Earn participants made remarkable progress and matured in many ways through their work experience. The program was especially well received by staff who actually became mentors to the young people. Ms. Williams, also noted the contributions of Raafiah Odom and Sharanada Evans, for program supervision.

For many of the young people it was their first job and they were very excited about earning their own money. For others, it was an opportunity to earn money and purchase a low cost computer to help them in high school and college.

A representative of the Prudential Foundation, Ms. Emma Perry, also attended and welcomed the youths and their families. A Prudential Foundation grant funded the program and made it possible to give so many young people the summer work/study experience.

The highlight of the evening was the awards ceremony. The Teen Learn and Earn recipients received Certificates of Achievement for satisfactory to outstanding evaluations as New Community Summer workers and attendance at computer classes and participation on field trips. NCC supervisors were also honored and received Certificates of Appreciation for their cooperation with the program and assistance with the participants.

The climax of the awards ceremony was the presentation of Plaques of

Dunkin' Donuts by the store manager, Alan Murray. Both young people were hailed as role models for their outstanding achievement.

Ms. Sharanada Evans, Program Coordinator, was surprised to receive a Plaque of Appreciation for her outstanding effort in getting the Teen Learn and Earn Program off the ground. Ms. Evans, a senior at Seton Hall University, taught four computer classes a



Ms. Emma Perry

week in addition to serving as program coordinator.

Msgr. William Linder noted in his remarks that the Teen Learn and Earn participants represent the future of New Community and he congratulated the participants for their achievement. Mr. Arthur Wilson, President of the New Community Board of Directors, welcomed the audience and expressed appreciation for the program.

BABYLAND HEALTH FOCUS

by Lori Colyer-Aversa, M.D.

"As a pediatrician I am not just a 'Baby Doctor,' but also a part of a child advocate team. This means that my first and last concern is for the health and welfare of your child. Every child deserves respect. Every child deserves protection. Every child deserves a chance to live and grow to be the best that he or she can be.

My role is to provide quality care for sick children and to maintain the health of well children. It is important for me to keep you informed of the things that may endanger your child as well as provide ways for you to prevent or cope with common problems.

Many parents have responded to a questionnaire made available this summer regarding topics that should be formally discussed. This year we hope to schedule workshops for both

the parents and staff on the most requested topics. We cannot cover every topic, however, a newsletter called "The Babyland Health Watch" is in the works. The newsletter will be designed to bring you up to date on the latest information concerning our children's health.

At Babyland you have a unique experience because the system is set up so that your child can benefit from the child advocacy team. This team consists of the people who care for your child, such as the teachers, caregivers, social workers, nutrition experts, and health personnel. But remember always that you, the parent, are the head of the team. Get involved!

Lori Colyer-Aversa MD
Medical Director

Hispanic Development Grant

The Local Campaign for Human Development (CHD) of the Archdiocese of Newark has awarded NCC's Hispanic Development Office a grant of \$6,000 to further its efforts in its Leadership for Advocacy programs. Sister Guadalupe Nieto, MSBT, director of the Hispanic Development Office, will accept the award from Archbishop Theodore McCarrick at a ceremony to be held in October. The grant is administered by the Office of Social Ministry, a division of Catholic Community Services.

The Campaign for Human Development funds only projects which benefit low-income groups. The programs must be innovative and demonstrate a change from traditional approaches to poverty by attacking its basic causes and by effecting institutional change. It does not fund direct service projects.

In the award letter, Sister Catherine Daly, OP, the local CHD director, ex-



Sr. Guadalupe Nieto

pressed gratitude to Sister Guadalupe "for working to make our neighborhoods and communities better for all of us."

Sister Barbara Boyle

Black History Notes

Researched By James E. DuBoise

Scott Joplin — 1868 to 1917 — King of Ragtime

Scott Joplin, whose father was a slave, was born in Texas in 1868. The music style he developed was responsible for the recognition of ragtime as an original American musical form. He displayed a talent for music at an early age and was subsequently given free piano lessons by a local German music teacher. He left home as a teenager and became an itinerant pianist, playing in saloons and bordellos of Mississippi River towns then on to St. Louis, Chicago and Sedalia, Missouri where he settled in 1894. He eventually made enough money to study harmony and composition at a local black college.

In 1897 he composed "Maple Leaf Rag" which was published in 1899. "Rag" was an instant success, rewarding Joplin with enough money to leave honkey tonks, marry and move to St. Louis where he taught and composed. In 1899 he wrote a long, choreographed song — "The Ragtime Dance" — and copyrighted his first opera — "A Guest of Honor" — both in ragtime. Unusual for the time, both were unsuccessful, but Joplin's short ragtime continued to be in great demand.

In 1907 Joplin moved to New York

where he started work on Treemonisha, a folk Grand Opera. Publishers would not consider such a Negro, let alone a black composer from the honkey tonks. Because of racial prejudice it was inconceivable by the American musical establishment that any black individual could be associated with "serious" music. Joplin published it himself and went broke doing so. In 1916 in desperation he unsuccessfully staged a piano version in Harlem.

For the next 55 years, Joplin's name and music was kept alive by a small band of disciples but much of his music has been lost. In 1970, Nonesuch Records released a recording of Joplin's rags on a classical label. The record pulled raves from critics of classical music.

Ironically, the King of Rag died in poverty and without the recognition he felt he deserved, and was buried in an unmarked pauper's grave in New York City's Borough of Queens. It was not until 60 years after his death that his work was acclaimed when he received a posthumous Oscar from the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts & Sciences for music used in the movie *The Sting* in 1976.

Hispanic Development News

N.J. Hispanic "Mini" Group:

School is now in session and so are the weekly meetings for our Hispanic "Mini" Group. But first we would like to report that a great summer of baseball, fun and games and trips were enjoyed by all, thanks to N.C.C.'s Summer Youth Programs.

Our next project is to get the children involved in creative research using the Rossville Public Library. They will look up information on their cultural heritage — including their customs, foods, and spirituality — and develop a project that will enable them to present an exhibit, hopefully by Thanksgiving, to share their finding with the greater community.

We are grateful to Ms. Mary Kearsley of the Rossville Library for her support and collaboration with us on this project.

N.C. Hispanic Youth Groups:

Seniors: ages 14 years and older will begin their meetings on August 27th, at Manor Senior, 545 Orange Street. All are welcome.

Juniors: ages 12-14 years of age will also begin their meetings on August 27th, at Manor Senior, 545 Orange Street. All are welcome.

Hispanic Adult Groups:

Pavillion: continues to meet every 2nd and 4th Monday, at 6:00 p.m.

Open Session: will be held for Hispanics on Wednesday, September 16th commencing at 6:00 p.m. at Babyland III, for those living within that geographic area.

Rossville: an open session will be held for Hispanics on Monday the 21st of September for those living in this geographic area, at Manor Senior, 545 Orange Street, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

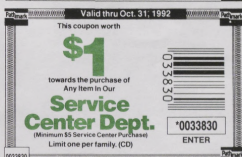
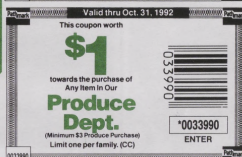
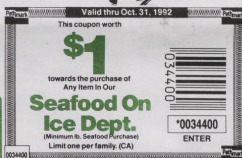
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Western Jamboree At Extended Care

On Wednesday, September 23, 1992 the New Community Extended Care Facility held a Western Bar-B-Que.

It was a day of fun held on the patio for those who could come, as well as on all of the floors for those residents who were unable to attend.

The barbeque featured mouth watering "chuck wagon vittles" served by characters (from Extended Care Staff) such as Jesse James and Calamity Jane.

All participants were dressed with Western attire as either cowboys or Indians. The music and decorations matched the affair's theme.

It was the final cookout of the year and will be talked about until next year's.

Denise Baker
Director of Activities



The western theme was a winner!



A routin' tootin' good time was had by all at the western barbeque.

Fashion Show And Bazaar At ECF

On September 23rd, 1992, New Community Extended Care residents, family members and staff were invited to a Fashion Show and Bazaar Extravaganza. This special event gave the residents an opportunity to select their own clothing and to shop for other needed items inside the facility. Some of the residents modeled their fine fashions provided by "Care Apparel Clotheshmobile" for a crowded audience.

Our heartfelt appreciation and thanks is extended to the Activity and Nursing Departments that assisted the residents and family members. We'd also like to thank our families at New Community Extended Care for their continued support and cooperation.

Penny Mateen
Dir. of Social Services



This fashionable duo modeled apparel for the audience.

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Gone Fishin'...



Down Home Cookin' was the fare served at the Fish Fry held Friday, September 18th at New Community Associates.



Alicia Latham offered home made cake for a delicious dessert.



Joe Chaneyfield was in his glory as he feasted on crabs.

Essex County Directors Of Nursing Administration/Long Term Care Meet

Sr. Daniele Brought, RN, Director of Nursing at Extended Care was recently appointed as the Essex County representative on the Executive Board of the New Jersey Association of Directors of Nursing Administration/Long Term Care. This appointment occurred at the 4th annual state convention for Nursing Directors held in Long Branch, NJ.

As the county representative, Sr. Daniele is responsible for coordinating activities for the Nursing Directors in the 30+ nursing homes in Essex County.

On September 23, the Priory Restaurant was the site of the first county meeting. In addition to enjoying a delicious meal, the group heard a presentation by Caring Healthcare, who sponsored the luncheon. After lunch the participants had a lively discussion as they shared their common concerns as Nursing Directors. All the participants found it to be a worthwhile gathering not only for problem solving and learning but also for friendly sharing in a relaxed atmosphere.



Sr. Daniele Brought, RN

In addition to coordinating the monthly meetings in Essex County, Sr. Daniele will also participate in planning activities and collaboration in the state organization.

Research Study Group Visits Spa

Recently the New Beginnings Spa hosted a group of men and women from the University of Medicine and Dentistry who were participants in Trial of Hypertension Prevention (T.O.H.P.) — a research study.

The participants had varying situations such as high blood pressure and a strict diet, or borderline blood pressure with no medication and a regular diet, while some were overweight with no cholesterol or high blood pressure problem.

The three year study in which they were enrolled was making a com-

parison of many situations to attempt to see what actually causes high blood pressure and how it can be controlled. The group participated in aerobic classes and used the Universal equipment.

Spa manager Madge Wilson spoke to the group about the importance of exercise and diet, using her own experience as a motivational example, since she was part of a former U.M.D.N.J. cardiology program and was able to stabilize her blood pressure and lower her cholesterol level through exercise and proper nutrition.

Security Corner

Rapid Response Plan

The Security Department is constantly working to improve upon any means to increase the safety of our tenants, employees and visitors.

With that goal in mind and knowing that we live in a world filled with emergencies, problems and civil disorders, we have developed a **Rapid Response Red Alert Plan of Action**.

The plan will consist of a 30 member New Community Security Response Team, which when activated by the Security Director or his designee, would respond within minutes to the New Community area and be deployed to the specific area of need.

The preparedness accomplished by implementation of the Rapid Response Plan will undoubtedly provide maximum safety to New Community residents and property on a twenty-four hour basis.

Through It All

The Lord has made her an instrument of his peace.

This is an appropriate description of Mrs. Isabella Kelly. She is ninety-four years young. New Community Associates has been blessed to have her as a tenant for twelve years, so far. She is very happy with her apartment and being able to live independently.

The year 1992 is proving to be the most trying of all her years; Mrs. Kelly suffered the amputation of one of her legs. She endured rehabilitation at Kessler's Institute, East Orange. Shortly after returning to her apartment she was notified that her son had



Mrs. Isabella Kelly

passed. For anyone who does not possess her years, these trials are a great deal to bear.

This being an "Olympic" year, it brings to mind the courage, strength, faith, and determination each athlete exhibited. Mrs. Kelly also is like the runner who just keeps on going and making it over all these negative hurdles. She does not want a pity. Mrs. Kelly attributes her ability to survive "through it all," to her faith. She is very thankful that God has blessed her life to be as full as it has been so far. "Each day I look up and count my blessings!"

Mrs. Kelly is also grateful to have an excellent pastor, Reverend Ford, her building manager, Mrs. Lillian Wilson; New Community Social Worker Emma Jean Curlin Miller, and friends that care about her, and her loving "family" at New Community.

Mrs. Kelly and to our many "Grand" mothers and "Grand" fathers everywhere, have a wonderful and loving Happy Grandparents Day this September 13th.

Joyce Cook
Social Services

Quick Thinking Foils NCC Van Break In



Security Officer Eleanor Scott stands proud as she accepts her plaque from Director William Hicks.

Officer Eleanor Scott showed a great awareness of her job and smart Security presence on September 6, 1992. While on patrol, she observed a suspect in a NCC van. Possessed with the knowledge of recent vans having been broken into, she acted as though she did not see the suspect and continued her patrol.

However, Officer Scott immediately notified Base Station and Newark

Police. Sergeant Listern Williams responded within five minutes and together, the suspect was apprehended and turned over to the Newark Police Department.

Six vans had been broken into and the suspect would have made good his escape to possibly commit other crimes, if it were not for our September Officer of the Month, Eleanor Scott.

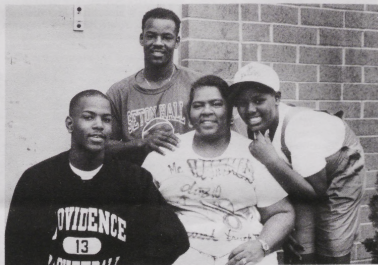
Keeping Up With Ira Bowman

As a newcomer to New Community Social Services in June, 1987, one of the first things I did was interview two young men from the Families Housing for the CLARION. Clarence Smith and Ira Bowman had just won scholarships to Seton Hall Prep and everyone at New Community was very proud of them.

We lost track of Clarence when he and his family moved away, but Ira Bowman is still giving his family and Manor Families reason to be very proud of him. He was very successful at Seton Hall Prep, maintaining good

to maintain good grades at Providence. If he did not, he would not be able to play basketball, nor keep his full scholarship.

The Bowman family is very supportive of Ira. They travel to the Meadowlands every time the Friars play there, and Virginia hopes to visit Providence College for Parents' Weekend this year. Sometimes Mrs. Bowman worries about Ira because he travels so much. It is a long way from Morris Avenue in Newark to Providence College in Rhode Island. Ira Bowman made the transition quite



Mrs. Virginia Bowman is very proud of her children; (l to r) Ira, Derrick and Laquanda, as they smile for the camera outside their home.

grades and membership on the basketball team all four years. During his senior year, Ira visited several college campuses: Seton Hall, Georgetown, and Providence. According to his proud mother, Virginia Bowman, he chose Providence for academics as well as basketball. (I think it was the irresistible Dominican!) With Ira, education, which he sees as a preparation for life, comes first.

Although he readily adapted to college life, Ira never misses an opportunity for a weekend trip to Newark — basketball permitting! Ira continues

easily and there's no stopping him now. Already his young life shows that good things happen to people who are willing to use their God given talents to the max!

Although Mrs. Bowman likes to think about Ira's making the NBA one day, she is very proud of all three of her children. "Derrick works for the city; Ira is away at school, so there's just Laquanda to worry about. I thank God that all three are such good kids — a nice bunch, if I do say so myself! I am most satisfied with them."

You said it, Virginia, and so are we!

New Look Distinguishes Rank

Security Director William Hicks unveiled a "new look" for the Department on September 1, 1992. With the recent promotions of Sergeant Jackson and Lieutenant Perry, there was a need to show a difference between the higher ranking officers and all others.

The regular security officer will retain the full blue uniform. All



Sgt. Wanda Williams models the newest security apparel.

sergeants will now wear "federal gray" shirts, while the higher ranks will be distinguished by white shirts.

Sergeant Mitchell and Wanda Williams were the first to display the smart new look during Mrs. Hillary Clinton's visit to New Community.

Hospice Trains Volunteers: Need Increases

From its new headquarters located in Glen Ridge, The Hospice, Inc. recently graduated its 28th class of volunteers. Two of the 15 volunteers completing the summer training session were Newark residents. These committed individuals were instructed in listening and patient care techniques along with other aspects in helping terminally ill patients and their families who are cared for by a team of professionals and volunteers. The need for volunteers to work with



The Hospice, Inc. L to R, Elizabeth Burrows (Newark), Lorraine Sciarra, Executive V.P., Ann Jordan (Newark). Burrows and Jordan recently completed the volunteer training program.

patients and families who reside in Newark is great, since the number of people seeking the Hospice alternative has swelled during the past year.

The Hospice, Inc. provides physical, emotional and spiritual support to patients and families in all of Essex County and the Western part of Hudson County.

The next volunteer training class begins on Tuesday, October 13th, 1992, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For further information on how to volunteer, please call Honi Weiss at 429-0300.

At Your (Social) Service

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

After School Program Has Homelike Setting

The NCC After School Program for School Age Children can be viewed as an extension of the young child's home as it provides a comfortable home-like setting and safe environment while parents are working or in school.

September 14th marked the opening of the Bruce Street site for 5-8 year olds, which now features a newly structured program with a freshly decorated facility that include four Activity Centers designed to promote the developmental needs of school age children. Registrations for a second site for pre-teens and teens are currently underway and will offer a full range of activities.

A typical day for our 5-8 year olds begins with a period of "free choice" and play upon arrival at the center, followed by rest and relaxation with a nutritious snack and a hot meal.

The four Activity Centers are: a **Nature Center** to promote an appreciation and understanding of other forms of life; a **Home Work Center** for tutoring, completion of homework assignments and use of reference materials; an **Arts Center** which promotes all forms of creative expressions and learning and features a gallery and schedule of culturally enriching activities; and a **Group Center** where students engage in organized physical education activities and planning of group projects.

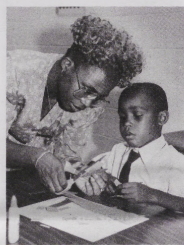
The site also provides a "Quiet Area" for children to have time alone, to rest, study or just dream, and a full kitchen for cooking classes.

Overall the program provides children with a consistent environment through organization of space, materials, and tools which all contribute to their personal development and a strong sense of security and belonging.

The center is staffed by a Family



Child Care Coordinator, Mary Powell, Group Teacher Sharonda Evans who is a senior at Seton Hall University, and a teacher aide, Tanya Tucker. New Community Corporation is committed to maintaining a quality program and will provide on-going evaluations of the program through the (A.S.Q.) Assessment School Age Childcare Quality self evaluation guide, which requires parent's, staff and student's participation.



Being able to have fun with the children is one of Mary Powell's greatest assets (top center); Sharonda Evans (top right) demonstrates the fine art of creating grass out of construction paper; Tanya Tucker (left) plans the day's activities; and (below), the NCC Youth Services Program cultivates future Rembrandts.



New Community Health Center Pediatric Clinic

New Community Health Center is now open every second and fourth Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. for Pediatric Clinic (for children). Bring your children for check-ups, camp and school physicals. We will also see toddlers, pre-schoolers and children in need of vaccinations. Walk-ins welcome! Meet Dr. Debbie Johnson (Pediatrician) United Hospitals Medical Center).

To schedule an appointment or call for further information, please contact:

New Community Health Center - St. Joseph Plaza
233 West Market Street, Newark, New Jersey 07103
Phone # (201) 623-2480
Beryl McMillan, R.N. Patient Care Coordinator

Vial Of Life: It's Not Just For Seniors Anymore

NC Social Services Workers routinely make a record called Vial of Life for tenants who take prescription medicine. Information including vital statistics, emergency contacts, medical insurance, preferred physicians, pharmacies and hospitals, as well as past and present medical conditions, and medicines currently prescribed is recorded.

This information sheet is put into small green bottles customarily kept in the patient's refrigerator. Emergency vehicle drivers know this, and family members are advised.

While updating my records in Manor Families, Yolanda Farmer and I compiled her Vial of Life. Several weeks later, she came into the Social Services office like a walking commercial for the Vial of Life Program. It seems that not too long after our visit, Yolanda passed out and someone called the ambulance. Friends and neighbors gathered to help. They did not know what was wrong with Yolanda, nor what medicines she was taking. Someone remembered the Vial of Life and gave it to the paramedics. The answers to all their questions were there: birth date, history, medications, etc. "I think it was a wonderful help, and you signed me up just in time," marveled Yolanda. "I feel that all sick people should have a Vial of Life. The answers to all the questions the paramedics ask are right there. I thought the program was only for seniors."

Sometimes we at Social Services take for granted the benefit of things we routinely do. People like Yolanda Farmer describing their experience of a program's effectiveness remind us how good our services really are.

Keeping New Community Clean

New Community Corporation provides a clean and sanitary environment for all our tenants.

To this end we have purchased 43 new dumpsters for trash disposal. These dumpsters are replacements for the old ones and were distributed to NC Associates, NC Commons, NC Manor, NC Gardens, NC Roseville and NC Douglas Homes.

You can identify the new dumpsters by their bright green color.

Every time you use them you will be making your neighborhood more beautiful. Help us to help you!



Raul Cruz utilizes the new dumpsters at NC Associates.

An Opportunity For Transportation

After graduating 62 people from New Community, Babyland, and St. Rose of Lima Parish since it began in 1988, the Network Leadership Development Institute is sporting a new look for fall of '91.

The Institute gathers people with leadership potential from all corners of the Network to enjoy and benefit from the sessions.

At the meetings, Network history and issues are used as a springboard to explain such topics as: self esteem/personal effectiveness/leadership qualities; communications and analysis skills/critical thinking; getting involved in issues which affect our lives and developing the skills needed to change things.

Over the weeks, participants develop their own support systems, which becomes a source of great strength for the group since none of us is as effective alone as we are together.

During the nine week series, knowledgeable speakers from many departments of the Network will conduct sessions on Communicating Effectively, Qualities of Leadership, Community Organizing, History of the Network, and Youth at Risk.

This season's meetings will be held on Wednesday evenings between 10/9 and 12/11 from 7 to 9 at Babyland III. Child care and transportation to and from the meetings can be arranged.

For more information, to register, or to recommend someone to be included in our Fall program, please call Sr. Mary Ellen at NC Social Services, 623-6114.

Sheriff Sponsors Crime Prevention Workshop

On Monday, September 21st, 1992, Essex County Sheriff, Armando B. Fontoura, presented a workshop in Crime Prevention and Personal Safety, at New Community Associates, 180 South Orange Avenue.

Sheriff Fontoura greeted the group of seniors from New Community and the fifth grade classes of Mrs. Harriet Wyatt and Mr. Larry Motley, of Newton Street School. Sheriff Fontoura, makes it a point to come out in

through a series of tests and have endured intense training for which they attended K-9 University and graduate into their badges.

Detective Donald Hurley, familiarized us with the duties of the Bomb Squad, a four (4) man unit, which services all of Essex County. Detective Hurley said that the squad averages 110 requests per year and averages 110 live devices per year. That is a large task for a force of four. This



Detective Anthony Melia introduces Bruno the drug sniffing dog to the children during their recent visit to New Community.

to the community and express his concern about reducing crime in the streets.

The workshop started off with a demonstration from the K-9 Squad. The group was introduced to "Vinnie," a beautiful canine one would love to have as a pet. However, Vinnie has a very important job. He can smell out a bomb in an instant. This skill he demonstrated for us when he found a stick of dynamite which was hidden inside a flower pot and buried. "Bruno" we learned has a very keen sense of smell. He was able to find ¼ ounce of cocaine hidden very well. The item was inside a sealed box, wrapped in a



Detectives assist this youngster with a 70 lb. bomb suit.

plastic baggie. That is one sharp nose! "Katie" is the finder of missing persons. This past year Katie was instrumental in finding a senior who had wandered off and was lost for four days following a terrible storm. With Katie's keen senses she was able to locate the frightened woman hiding under a porch.

Each animal was extremely gentle, allowing the children time to touch each and ask questions about them and their various duties.

All the dogs which are selected to be part of the K-9 Squad have passed

is where the canines come into play in a large way. It is with their keen sense of locating bombs that the job of seek and find is made easier, cutting down on the amount of time spent searching out deadly devices.



Detective Hurley had an elaborate display of almost 100 types of illegal fireworks and homemade bombs. Fireworks are illegal, although they are sold in some stores. Many serious injuries and even deaths are a result of "playing" with seemingly harmless fireworks. Many of the fifth graders present had stories to tell about friends and relatives having had bad experiences with fireworks.

To demonstrate the type of equipment the bomb squad uses, one of the students tried on a 70 pound "bomb suit" — a suit which completely covers a person from head to toe. This will not prevent death from a bomb-like device but it will minimize the amount of injury sustained.

Also attending to conduct demonstrations were Detectives David Hughes, David Machette, Anthony Melia and John Goode.

Deputy Sheriff James DuBose was on hand to guide them through their presentation. Deputy DuBose is in the Narcotics Squad and is doing a wonderful job of coordinating efforts to make the city less burdened with drug trafficking. Many arrests have been made and there is sure to be a difference which can be noticed in many of the wards.

We wish to thank the Sheriff and his department for taking the time to come out to us in the community and put together such a fine workshop. This is a workshop which deserves to be repeated in the near future for more of our seniors and definitely for more of our youths.

REMEMBER CRIME IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS!

MAKE IT YOUR BUSINESS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT... TODAY!

I Can See!!!

There are many various services offered to the residents of New Community. One such service is the opportunity for medical screenings. Eye, hearing, foot and blood pressure screenings appear on the monthly calendar distributed by NC Social Services.

How many times have you looked at the calendar and just didn't have the time to go to one of the screenings?

Mrs. Berma Wright from Gardens Seniors was one such person until April of this year. Ms. Wright decided she was going to take advantage of the eye screening held right in her building. "I went down to the screening. The doctor examined my eyes and said I should make an appointment at the United Hospitals eye clinic. I could only see shapes and light."

When the doctor at the clinic examined Berma's eyes he said he thought he could save the vision in her right eye so she made an appointment for the necessary operation in June. "I came out of the operation and I screamed, 'I can see!' I am very fortunate because I haven't had any trouble with my eye. I've been seeing just fine since then." Berma is going to have her left eye operated on soon. "The doctor hopes to improve the vision in that eye



Berma Wright

too," she told us. "It may not be as good as my right eye but I hope for the best."

"Thank God for the day I went to the eye screening," said Berma. "Please take the time to have your eyes screened. You never know what wonderful surprise God might have in store for you."

S. Eileen

Golden Shades Of Fashion

For the past several years there have been a collection of some of the finest in wearing apparel gathering at the PSE&G Atrium on Raymond Boulevard. This is the beautiful backdrop of the Newark City Wide Senior Citizen Fashion Extravaganza, a "Living Legacy Program."

Seniors from throughout the city are invited to participate in this wonderful program which allows many a chance to put on their finery and stroll around on center stage before their peers and families. This program is open to all who can walk, either

Senior Mayor of City of Newark for 1993, Mrs. Annie Balkum, Mt. Vernon Baptist Church.

Second Place - Senior President of City Council for 1993, Mrs. Margie Woods, of New Community Associates, 180 South Orange Ave.

Third Place - Senior Director of Housing, Mrs. Adalee Hargrove, of the South Ward Center.

Fourth Place - Mrs. Marie Carson, Senior Director of the Newark Library, from New Community Commons, 140 South Orange Avenue and an avid member of the New Community Medical Day Care Program.

Congratulations to all the winners and may they enjoy their year-long reign. Each office will have a day to be sworn into duty, which will be a special time for each, where they will receive gifts and a luncheon in their honor.

Mrs. Kitty V. Taylor, former Director of Senior Services in the City of Newark and Councilman George Branch have designed a program which is first rate and enjoyed by all.

PSE&G is a large sponsor to the program, providing an ideal location, and



Margie Woods, Sheriff Fontoura and Viola Walker pose for a photo.

assisted or unassisted or can wheel themselves about, and believe me, there have been a few strong contenders in the wheelchair category.

Because of inclement weather, this year's Fashion Extravaganza was held in the Quality Inn on Tuesday, September 22nd. The seniors came out in force to show their support for friends and for this wonderfully colorful program.

First place winners are made honorary Senior Mayors of Newark. These winners are shown how the city operates through the eyes of the Mayor as well as being given honors from guests.

This year there was an even longer list of winners, as the prizes and honorary positions have been extended. This was done because of the growing interest of the rest of the city of officials to share their job experience with seniors.

1993 winners are: First Place -



Mary Black and Marie Carson hospitality and involving many of their top executives as guest models. A lot of organizations share in making this a success, and we thank them all.

Thank you to the many who helped to make this "Living Legacy Program," a success. If you missed it this year, plan to join us next September, as either a participant or a spectator, but do plan to be there.

The "We Can Team" At St. Rose

It hardly seemed possible that the summer vacation had come and gone and once again the teachers of St. Rose and St. Rocco's gathered to prepare for the 1992-93 academic year.

The teachers met for a one day retreat on the campus of Mt. St. Dominic in Caldwell, New Jersey, on Friday, August 28th. This location has been the retreat site for the last few years. The beauty and serenity of the area is the perfect environment to encourage fellowship with colleagues and rededicate one's self to the ministry of educating our children.

Stephanie Arrington and Theodore Huff of Creative Expressions Plus were guest speakers on the first day. They are old friends of St. Rose and St. Rocco's and as always they shared a wealth of material and information on motivating today's inner city students. They suggested techniques which could be used by the staff for solving inner city problems, among them brainstorming to come up with priorities in regard to educational and social concerns. They especially dwelt on the development of the African-

American child.

On Monday and Tuesday of the following week we were fortunate enough to attend a workshop conducted by Mr. Leon Trusty. Mr. Trusty is the founder of his own consulting firm. He came to St. Rose with over 30



Emily Ross and Art Wilson share a lighter moment together.

years of experience in both the public and private sector with problem solving techniques used by some of the most successful companies and educational organizations world wide.

The professional materials he brought are based upon current research on dealing with creating problem-solving and team building within the faculty which is then transferable to the classroom situation.

All who attended the three day sessions left motivated and totally committed to the school year. We adopted the slogan "We Are The We Can Team." If we can generate the same enthusiasm in our students that was generated in the teachers and staff, there is no doubt that the 1992-93 academic year will be one of the most successful ever.

Martha Richards



Eager children scamper off to school as anxious parents watch from the sidelines on the first day of the new school year.



The 1992-93 staff of St. Rose of Lima School.

Significance Of Size May Not Be Measured By Number

*"Were I so tall as to reach the pole
Or to grasp the ocean at a span,
I must be measured by my soul
The Mind is the standard of the man."*

Size, commonly thought of as a physical magnitude, extent, or bulk, a relative or proportionate dimension, is conventionally identified by numbers. Bigger in size or quantity has sometimes mistakenly been taken to be synonymous with better in substance of quality. However, smaller in numbers may be greater in effectiveness. Judges 7:17 tells us how the Lord had Gideon reduce his army of thirty-two thousand men to three-hundred water-lapping soldiers and conquer the larger-in-number Midianites.

There is a story about Jesus who sat opposite the treasury and saw how the people put money into the treasury. Many who were rich put in much. Then one poor widow came and threw in two mites, so He called His disciples to Him and said to them, "this poor widow has put in more than all those who have given much to the treasury; for they all put in out of their abundance, but she, out of her poverty, put in all she had, her whole livelihood."

Size may also be thought of in terms of character, quality, or status of a person with reference to service to mankind, and manifested compassionate love for God and fellowmen.

Status symbols of seeming greatness have sometimes ascribed eristic

degreas, titles, and rank on its bearers, yet we are reminded that "all the armies that ever marched and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as has Christ."

Youth may be unduly impressed by the size of popular recreation role-models that the media portray as stars, and tend to laud their fame, money, and lifestyles — but are ignorant of those valiant who struggled, though deprived and sometimes handicapped, to make contributions which provided opportunities for others and which youth currently enjoy. It is incumbent upon parents to teach their youth spiritual values that encourage and motivate them to look to time-tested role-models, some of whom, unlettered and unproclaimed, may be found in literature, biography, and in their community.

Down the annals of history, those who made significant contributions to civilization and meaningful benefits to mankind have been, not those of noble birth, but those of humble origin.

Posterity will long acknowledge the litany of these unknown and little known; eternity will recall and list them in the "Book of Life," — the truly significant in size.

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New, energetic, and exciting are the words that I would use to describe the upcoming year. September 3rd was the first day for the new students. The teachers and staff did everything possible to accommodate them to their new surroundings. A variety of activities such as getting acquainted discussions, name games, assessment development, a tour of the school, and adding finishing and personal touches to their classrooms got the students off to a running start. Many classes were rearranged because of the addition of another computer room, but everyone adjusted to their new surroundings.

Friday, September 4th marked the official starting day for the 1992-1993 school year. New and returning students were very enthused to be back to school. The teachers, as well as students, were also very enthused to start the new year.

Whitney Turner

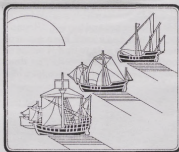
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